

REMARKS

Species Election

The Examiner stated that claims 1-7, 21-23, 27-29 and 31-32 (Group I) and claims 8-20, 24-26, and 30 (Group II) claim two species because Group I claims the invention illustrated in Figure 2 and Group II claims the invention illustrated in Figure 3.

Applicant elects Group II with traverse and has withdrawn the claims of Group I without prejudice and reserves the right to re-present the claims in the current application if the election requirement is withdrawn.

Figure 2 illustrates one embodiment of a process for performing modified discrete cosine transformation on a frame of data. Figure 3 illustrates one embodiment of a window decision process represented by block 204 of Figure 2. *See* the Brief Description of the Drawings and paragraph 36 of the Specification. Thus, as evidenced by the Specification, Figure 3 is not a separate species from Figure 2. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the species election requirement be withdrawn and the withdrawn claims be reinstated.

Amendment to the Specification

Applicant has also amended the Specification to identify related pending patent applications.

SUMMARY

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Sue Holloway at (408) 720-3800 x 309.

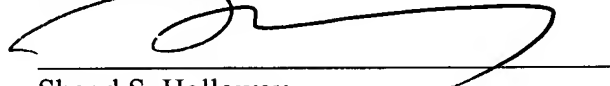
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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